## Amendments to the Claims:

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application:

## **Listing of Claims:**

- 1. (Currently amended) A container, in particular a header of a heat exchanger, with an orifice (2; 105) in which a connection piece (5; 85) is mounted, characterized in that wherein the connection piece (5; 85) has, at its end facing the container (1; 104), a deformable connection piece edge region (10; 90) which, before deformation, projects into the container (1; 104) and, after deformation, bears at least partially against the container orifice (2; 105) on the inside.
- 2. (Currently amended) The container as claimed in claim 1, eharacterized in that wherein the deformable connection piece edge region (10; 90) is connected with a form fit to that edge region of the container (1; 104) which has the container orifice (2; 105).
- 3. (Currently amended) The container as claimed in one of the preceding claims claim 1, characterized in that wherein the deformable connection piece edge region (90) has a projection (96) which, before deformation, projects radially inward and, during deformation, is deformed radially outward.
- 4. (Currently amended) The container as claimed in claim 3, eharacterized in that wherein the projection (96) is delimited by a continuous slope (98).
- 5. (Currently amended) The container as claimed in claim 4, characterized in that wherein the continuous slope (98) runs at an angle of about 45 degrees with respect to the connection piece longitudinal axis (88).

- 6. (Currently amended) The container as claimed in one of the preceding claims claim 1, characterized in that wherein, in the edge region of the container orifice (2), at least one deformed region (at 61-66) is formed, into which a complementarily deformed region (at 61-66) of the deformable connection piece edge region (10) engages.
- 7. (Currently amended) The container as claimed in one of the preceding claims claim 1, characterized in that wherein a collar (7) is formed at that end of the connection piece (5) which has the deformable connection piece edge region (10).
- 8. (Currently amended) The container as claimed in one of the preceding claims claim 1, characterized in that wherein a continuous depression (94) is formed radially on the outside between the collar (7; 87) and the deformable connection piece edge region (10; 90).
- 9. (Currently amended) A tool for fixing a connection piece (5) as claimed in one of the preceding claims claim 1 in a container orifice (2), characterized in that wherein the tool (15) has at least one deformation element (25, 26; 51-56) which can be moved out of an introduction position (for example 54) into a deformation end position (for example 58).
- 10. (Currently amended) The container as claimed in claim 9, characterized in that wherein the deformation element (25, 26) is guided in the tool (15).
- 11. (Currently amended) The tool as claimed in claim 10, eharacterized in that wherein the guide path (21, 22) of the deformation element (25, 26) runs essentially transversely with respect to the connection piece longitudinal axis (8).

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- 12. (Currently amended) The tool as claimed in claim 10 or 11, characterized in that wherein the guide path (41, 42) of the deformation element (25, 26) runs from the inner space of the container (1) obliquely outward.
- 13. (Currently amended) The tool as claimed in one of claims claim 9 to 12, eharacterized in that wherein the deformation element (25, 26) cooperates with a ramp which can be moved in relation to the tool (15) in the direction of the connection piece longitudinal axis (8).
- 14. (Currently amended) The tool as claimed in claim 13, characterized in that wherein the ramp is formed on a frustoconical region (17) which tapers outward.
- 15. (Currently amended) The tool as claimed in claim 14, <del>characterized in that</del> wherein the frustoconical region (17) can be actuated from outside.
- 16. (Currently amended) The container as claimed in claim 14 or 15, characterized in that wherein a connecting element (30) extends outward from the frustoconical region (17).
- 17. (Currently amended) The tool as claimed in one of claims claim 9 to 16, characterized in that wherein the deformation element (25, 26) has an essentially convex region toward the container orifice (2).

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- 18. (Currently amended) The tool as claimed in claim 17, characterized in that wherein, during deformation, the convex region comes to bear with its outwardly facing half against the deformable connection piece edge region (10).
- 19. (Currently amended) The tool as claimed in one of claims claim 9 to 18, characterized in that wherein the deformation element is formed by a sphere (25, 26).
- 20. (Currently amended) The tool as claimed in one of claims claim 9 to 19, eharacterized in that wherein the tool has a plurality of deformation elements (25, 26; 51-56) which are distributed, uniformly spaced apart, over the circumference of the tool.